

SOURCES SOUGHT NOTICE (SSN) / REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)

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Notice Type: Sources Sought/Request for Information

Subject: Sources Sought Notice/Request for Information on a Proposed

"Cross Cultural" Management and Communication Training/Workshop

To: All Interested Respondents/Parties:

The U.S. Agency for International Development's Mission to Cambodia (USAID/Cambodia) seeks to collect written information about the capabilities of Cambodia based firms engaged in, or capable of providing "cross cultural" management and communication training and/or workshop services. The information provided will be used to help guide future planning decisions. The requested information will not be shared publicly.

Cross cultural communication can be defined "as communication between members of different cultures through which each member's values and patterns of thinking, communication and behavior, are often very different from the values, patterns of thinking, communication, and behavior of the other [culture]." This also takes into consideration the understanding of different business customs, beliefs, languages, high-context vs. low-context cultures, nonverbal cues, and power distance, among other factors.

Services Sought / Information Requested

Information is requested to assist in the planning of a scope of work for a facilitated training and/or workshop for Cambodian, American (United States), and other country nationals. Subjects for which information on <u>cross cultural management and communication</u> services is sought are, but not limited to:

- 1. General Greetings and Customs/Traditions/Values
- 2. Methods/Types of Communication (i.e. Verbal/Non-Verbal)
- 3. Common Pitfalls between Cultures
- 4. Cultural Self-Awareness
- 5. Working in Teams and Across Cultures (i.e. Projects, Meetings, etc.)
- 6. Gender and Diversity
- 7. Managing Change
- 8. Conflict Resolution / Feedback

Interested parties should submit information supporting their experience, expertise, and capabilities in undertaking similar work. The following information on adequacy and capability should be provided:

1. Organization/entity name, physical address, and email address

- 2. Names of key staff/consultants, along with summaries of relevant professional experience
- 3. A profile of the firm with a full list of organizational capabilities in the requested area of cross-cultural management and communication training/workshop facilitation
- 4. Sample scope(s) of work performed demonstrating a proven track record and capability

Submission Instructions

Interested parties that consider themselves qualified to provide the above services are strongly encouraged to submit a response to this inquiry. All submissions must be via email, and should be in the following format:

Email Subject Line: RFI-442-18-00001 - Organization Name RFI-442-18-00001_Organization Name

Submitted documents and correspondence must be in the English language. Although not required, if you choose to provide any price lists, they must be in USD. Phone calls or hard copy delivery of information will not be accepted.

All responses to this RFI must be emailed to Andrew Reese, Contracting Officer, at areese@usaid.gov with a copy to Pannha Chet, Procurement Agent, at pchet@usaid.gov, by no later than January 19, 2018 - 17:00PM Phnom Penh, Cambodia, local time.

Disclaimer Notice

This request for information is issued solely for planning purposes and is published in accordance with FAR Part 10 and FAR 15.201(e). This is not a solicitation or call for proposals. Any proposals submitted in response to this request will not be considered.

Responses to this notice must be received by no later than the due date and time stated in this notice. All information provided will become the property of USAID and will not be returned. USAID reserves the right to use information provided by respondents for its purposes. Proprietary information must not be sent.

USAID will not pay for information submitted nor will it reimburse for costs incurred by an organization that elects to respond to this request. All costs associated with responding to this request will be solely at the respondent's expense. USAID is in no way obligated to utilize submitted information or issue a solicitation as a result of this request. USAID is not obligated to procure any of the services described herein, nor should the release of this request be construed as such a commitment on the part of USAID.

The issuance of this request will not restrict the Government's ultimate approach, if any. Respondents are advised that USAID is under no obligation to acknowledge receipt of the information, answer questions or provide feedback to respondents with respect to any information submitted. Any information submitted in response to this notice is voluntary. Not responding to this request does not preclude participation in any future solicitation, if any is issued.

Andrew Reese Contracting Officer U.S. Agency for International Development Phnom Penh, Cambodia